CAMPUSS CORE COMMUNITY E: Cultural Center
located in Upper Campus and is in the Riparian Woodlands, Joshua Tree Woodlands and Desert Grasslands landscape zones. It is a micro-community in the CAMPUSS CORE ZONE. This Campus Core Community has three existing buildings – Performing Arts Center (54), former Student Services & Art (50 & 52), now Music and Art departments. There are two new buildings, a large music performance hall/common space that connects the Music and Arts buildings. There is also a new Amphitheater/Gallery building that is circular with a large central open air amphitheater. The building would house artwork and sculptural installations. Some permanent sculptures will be in the amphitheater.

The building’s circular shape assists with the acoustics of the amphitheater. The building shields the amphitheater from the winds and its high walls deflect roadway noise. This building is located on a site that is elevated from the corner of Bear Valley Road and Fish Hatchery Road, the main entrance to the campus. This building is an important identity marker for the College. To highlight the arrival to the campus, the Amphitheater/ Gallery building should have a unique architectural design making it prominently visible during the day. At night it should be illuminated in a way that makes it a bright, welcoming “lantern” to passers by.

The utilities for heating, cooling will need to be self contained units attached to each building.